

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of: YAMAMOTO, Hirotaka

Group Art Unit: 1774

Serial No.: 09/941,666

Examiner: SHEWAREGED, BETELHEM

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For:

INK JET RECORDING SHEET

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

April 9, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **December 13, 2002**, extended to **April 13, 2003** by a **one** month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please CANCEL claim 1 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please **AMEND** the claims **2-5** as follows:

2. (Amended) An ink jet recording sheet according to Claim 20, wherein a silanol-modified

polyvinyl alcohol is contained as the binder.

3. (Amended) An ink jet recording sheet according to Claim 20, wherein the water-soluble cationic organic material is a dicyandiamide condensate.